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Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the Patent Office on November 4, 2005. A Petition for a three-month extension of time is enclosed. Please amend the subject patent application as described below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 8 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.